



# Senator Don Thomas

## Senate District 54



Doctor Don Thomas was first elected to the Senate from the 54<sup>th</sup> district in 1996. He represents the citizens of Murray and Whitfield County and portions of Catoosa and Gordon County.

Senator Thomas, a Republican, is chairman of the Health and Humans Services Committee, secretary of the Education and Youth Committee, and a member of the Appropriations, Ethics and Rules committees.

A lifelong resident of the district he represents, Sen. Thomas was born July 14, 1933 in Whitfield County. He graduated from Georgia Southern University and earned his medical degree from the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta.

He serves as a family physician in the Dalton area with the Whitfield Medical Professional Association. His professional career also included serving as President of the Hospital Board Staff in Dalton.

Sen. Thomas' political career began in 1972 with election to the Whitfield County School Board. He eventually served as chairman of the board from 1974 to 1984.

The fifth term lawmaker stays active in his district through involvement with Gideons International and the Rotary Club. Sen. Thomas and his wife, Emma Jean, have eight children and seventeen grandchildren. They are very active in the Fellowship Bible Church in Dalton.

The 54<sup>th</sup> District includes all of Murray County and portions of Bartow, Gordon, and Whitfield counties.

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